## California Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program NET IMPORTANT FARMLAND CONVERSION 1984-2014 (1)

	Acres								
LAND USE CATEGORY	1984-1990	1990-1994	1994-1998	1998-2002	2002-2006	2006-2010	2010-2014	Total Change	Average Annual Change
Prime Farmland	-54,957	-84,267	-70,928	-91,298	-159,822	-201,025	-96,831	-759,128	-25,304
Farmland of Statewide Importance	-13,242	-16,027	-47,566	-29,407	-97,783	-144,052	-50,601	-398,678	-13,289
Unique Farmland	38,051	-23,141	26,093	32,804	-32,068	-25,973	38,627	54,393	1,813
Farmland of Local Importance	-105,739	-5,661	15,848	-76,738	37,841	141,361	-31,717	-24,805	-827
Irrigated Farmland (2)	4,412	-9,368	-13,899	-8,101	-5,620	0	0	-32,576	-1,086
Nonirrigated Farmland (2)	229	-1,051	-3,928	-6,198	-1,615	0	0	-12,563	-419
Total Important Farmland	-131,246	-139,515	-94,380	-178,938	-259,067	-229,689	-140,522	-1,173,357	-39,112
Grazing Land	-140,167	-43,557	-45,557	-108,151	-87,929	63,482	40,356	-321,523	-10,717
Total Agricultural Land									
(Important Farmland + Grazing Land)	-271,413	-183,072	-139,937	-287,089	-346,996	-166,207	-100,166	-1,494,880	-49,829
Urban and Built-up Land	305,875	148,220	125,744	184,008	203,835	117,052	74,671	1,159,405	38,647
Other Land	-41,210	32,874	13,304	97,377	141,432	47,079	24,713	315,569	10,519
Water	6,748	1,978	889	5,704	2,303	2,076	782	20,480	683
	Acres (millions)								
Total Area Inventoried For Change (3)	40.3	42.2	44.1	45.9	46.1	49.1	49.1		

<sup>(1)</sup> Figures taken from the projectwide conversion summary in each of the California Farmland Conversion Reports, supplemented with data for the counties mapped on an 'interim' basis due to lack of modern soil surveys. Along with urbanization or changes in agricultural uses, the 'net land use change' data includes technical revisions made to the lists of Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance by NRCS in various counties. Multiple update cycles have been grouped in this table for ease of reading.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Due to completion of NRCS soil surveys, the Interim mapping classes of Irrigated Farmland and Nonirrigated Farmland were no longer needed as of the 2004 data.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total Area Inventoried increased as NRCS completed modern soil surveys and FMMP initiated mapping. Areas added include: 1986--central Siskiyou, Butte, Colusa; 1988--Kern, Sacramento, eastern San Mateo, Sutter, Tulare, Yuba; 1990--San Joaquin; 1992--western Merced; 1996--Lake, Butte Valley/Tulelake (covers eastern Siskiyou & western Modoc); 2000--western Stanislaus, western Fresno; 2004--northeastern Stanislaus; 2006--Mendocino County; 2008--Carrizo Plain area (San Luis Obispo County) & Adin area (Modoc County). This represents an increase of 62% in the project area between 1984 and 2010.